

REMARKS

Restriction Requirement

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 11, 2004, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group I, claims 1-15. Applicant respectfully cancels remaining claims 16-27 without prejudice, and reserves the right to reintroduce them in a divisional application at a later date.

In the Drawings

The drawings were amended to correct a typographical error. Applicant notes that the address inputs 133 are labeled in Figure 1A as described in the description at page 8, line 11, but that this is duplicate with the reference sign of the command register 133. Applicant has enclosed a red-line copy of Figure 1A and formal drawings re-labeling the command register from 133 to 135 to correct this typographical error.

Applicant has also amended the specification to describe the command execution logic 130 as containing a command register 135. Applicant submits that this amendment does not constitute new matter because the command register element is shown in the command execution logic 130 in the original Figure 1A. The Applicant also notes that command register 135 is not essential to understanding the invention. Applicant therefore requests approval of the changes to Figure 1A and the supporting amendments to the specification.

New Claims

Claims 28-38 are added herein. Claims 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32 depend from claims 1, 6, and 9 respectively. Applicant contends that the amendments contained herein are supported by the Specification as filed and thus do not constitute new matter. The Applicant also notes that claims 28-38 comport with the definition of the elected invention. The Applicant respectfully requests consideration and allowance of new claims 28-38.


CONCLUSION

Claims 1-15 and 28-38 are currently pending. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and requests consideration of the application and allowance of the claims. No new matter has been added and no additional fee is required by this amendment and response.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the number below if there are any questions regarding this response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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